

SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPY SERVICE

SENCO GUIDE



Speech and Language Groups

KS1 LANGUAGE GROUPS

We are offering free training and resources for schools to run 3 different 12 week groups focusing on understanding language and talking for children in Reception-Year 3. **Click on the image for more information!**

KS2 LANGUAGE GROUPS

We are now offering training and resources for 1 x 12 week group for year 4-5 focusing on narrative, vocabulary, sentence structure and inference. Along with 1 x 6 week group working on self help strategies and language related to transition (year 6 only). Click on the image for more information! **Contact your Education Lead for more information**

SECONDARY LANGUAGE GROUPS

Secondary schools are now able to sign up for training to run a language group for KS3 students with the aim to help them explore supportive language strategies to increase self management of their language difficulties in the classroom. **Click on the image for more information!**

FUN WITH SOUNDS

We now offer free resources and webinars for schools to run 6-18 week groups to targeted speech sound development with Nursery and Reception aged children. These sessions are play based and focus on sound awareness. **Contact your Education Lead for more information.**

HSCA

We have launched the Hertfordshire Shining Communication Award (HSCA). This is a tool for schools to help improve the universal support for children with communication needs by supporting settings to identify their strengths and areas for development with the support of their SaLT Education Lead. It is free for schools to participate in this award - click on the image for more information!



Training Offer

We offer a huge range of free, 1 and 2 part, in person and virtual training courses. These cover a range of topics including supporting social communication, selective mutism and Colourful Semantics. Two staff members per school can attend each session. Training dates are released termly and can be booked via the website - click on the image to book your place now!

SENCo Liaison Meetings

We offer all mainstream schools in Herts the opportunity to book a virtual meeting with a member of the SaLT team twice per academic year. SENCos can access advice for specific pupils, discuss new referrals and discuss their school's training needs. Meetings can be booked online and the link to book a meeting is sent to schools each term.

Making a Referral

All referrals are made via our website. We generally advise schools to complete referrals for school aged children by providing information about the child's difficulties, the impact and the targeted support trialled for 1 term (graduated response cycle). See our website for more detailed referral guidance.

Get in Touch!

Each school has an allocated cluster link email address they can use to access advice and support from a member of the team at any time. If you would like a reminder of your school's cluster link email address please email hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net

Social media

Facebook: @HERTSCYPT
X: @Herts_CYPT
Instagram: @herts_cypt

Contact Details

Email: hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net
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Website: [link](#)

